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Rini Ghosh Surface Transportation Board Case Control Unit Washington, D.C. 20423 FD 34284 Note 106

Dear Ms. Ghosh:

For some time I have been following the situation with Vulcan Materials and their work to start a rock quarry and their move to start a rail line. The company has been very up-front about their intentions and very out in the open about their plans. They will be bringing jobs to our county and giving the economy a shot in the arm. I look forward to them starting up.

The opponents of this are not looking at the whole picture and what it will mean to our county. Like many Medina County residents, I work in San Antonio. We really don't have a choice about where to work because of the few jobs and the type of jobs here. It's time we changed that. It would be a positive change for Vulcan to start up out here. The sooner the better. The other part of the picture is the rail line. The more direct rail routes are the most sensible ones.

Please give the necessary permits to Vulcan Materials for their quarry and rail line. The people of Medina County would appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Kathy Holzhaus